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SUBJECT: MADAGASCAR'S RICE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. MARCH 17 GDRM CIRCULAR NOTE STATES THAT DUE TO CYCLONE DAMAGE, 80,000 TONS IMPORTED RICE WILL BE REQUIRED BY MAY 15.
- 2. IN MARCH 19 SPEECH, PRESIDENT RATSIRAKA REPORTED THAT DELIVERY OF 40,000 TONS OF RICE ORDERED FROM ABROAD HAS BEEN DELAYED FOR UNSPECIFIED REASONS.
- 3. OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY INDICATES THAT TOTAL RICE IMPORT REQUIREMENT FOR 1977 MAY REACH 120,000 TONS.
- 4. KEY GDRM OFFICIALS HAVE EVIDENCED MILD INTEREST IN POSSIBLE IMPORTATION US RICE. EMBASSY SUGGESTS POTENTIAL US RICE SUPPLIERS MAKE INITIAL APPROACH TO GDRM THROUGH AMEMBASSY TANANARIVE FOR TRANSMISSION TO APPROPRIATE GDRM OFFICIALS WHO WILL THEN PURSUE MATTER AT THEIR DISCRETION. BARRETT

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